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✓ Cora A. Hanks (Mrs. Harry Hanks)
✓ Anny P Stone (Mrs G. R. Stone)
✓ Cora M. Horr (Mrs J. E. Horr)
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✓ Carrie M. Gray. (Mrs R. Gray.)
X ~~Grace Hale Stevens~~ (Mrs. H. O.)
✓ Leila M. Powell. (Mrs Clinton
X Mary L. Bliss. (Mrs Walter)
✓ Grace M. House (Mrs. B. R. House)

✓ Annie L Chaffee (Mrs Norman S.)
✓ M. Rozilla Barlow (Mrs H. H.) —
✓ Fannie N. Downing (Mrs H. M.)
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✓ Mrs. Mary Dane
X ~~Lillian D. Hann~~ X (Mrs J. H)
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✓ Inez Leona Brown. (Mrs H. L.)
X Rose La Fountain. X
X Mrs Theresa Johnston X
✓ Mrs Emma Weston
X Clara L Dwight- (Mrs Geo. W.
X ~~Susan Alicia Webster Webber~~ X
✓ Sarah L. M. Webster (Mrs G H W.
X ~~Mary C. Bolter~~ X
X ~~Mrs Grace Young;~~ X
✓ Mrs Mary L Hale
✓ Mrs L. S. Bartlett.

✓ Mrs Esther L Schneider
x Pauline G. Biddlee (Mrs Geo. N.) x
✓ Mrs. Ralph Randall.
x Mrs. Wm M. Hodge. x
x Mrs H. Dorsett. x
✓ Grace Thayer Moore (Mrs. H. C.)
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✓ Elsie F. Chaffee (Mrs F. N.)
✓ Flora B. Burton ✓
x Winifred G. Gould x
✓ Gertrude M. Downing.
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Constitution

Article I

The name of this association shall be Enfield Mothers' Club

Article II

The object of this Club shall be to promote the spiritual, intellectual and social life of mothers.

Article III

Its officers shall be President, Secretary, two Directors, and a Social Committee of two members.

Article IV

These officers shall be elected annually by a majority of ballots.

Article V

It shall be the duty of the President, or in her absence, one of the Directors, to preside at each meeting of the Club

Article VI

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of each meeting and a complete list of members

Article VII

It shall be the duty of the two Directors, to confer with the President, secure suitable places for the meetings, prepare the programme, and carry out the designs of the Club.

Article VIII

It shall be the duty of the Social Committee to provide for the social hour at each meeting.

Article IX

The Club shall hold ten regular meetings, the last Wednesday of each month, beginning in September and closing with the Annual Meeting in June.

The dates changeable at the discretion of the Directors.

Article X

All Mothers in Enfield may become members, by signing the Constitution and may then vote on all matters of business.

Article XI

Any article of the Constitution may be amended and any article added thereto by a two thirds vote of the members present at its meeting, notice having been given at a previous meeting.

Mothers Meeting

October 25th 1923

The October Mother's Club was held at the home of our President with eighteen mothers, and sixteen children present.

Mrs Parsons led the devotional exercises. Mrs Chaffee gave a vocal solo which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs Gray's resignation was accepted and Mrs Hargo was chosen secretary in her place. Mrs Parsons read a chapter from the book "Luxury of Children".

It was voted that the Mother's Club give $1.00 (one dollar) for a prize to the child who draws the best book-plate, for Book-Day in November.

Mrs Damon read a chapter from the "Wonderful Story of Life"; then our President read a story entitled "Plenteous Preparation". Mrs Chaffee sang at closing, Willie's Prayer, which was good. Meeting adjourned and a social hour followed in which refreshments were served.

Mrs. Leila Vernon Sec'ty. Pro tem

November 22nd 1923

The November meeting of the club was held with our President, Mrs Parsons, sixteen Mothers & fourteen children being present. Mrs Parsons opened the meeting with a Bible reading from Isaiah. "Good Tidings of Good." This was followed by The Lord's Prayer.

The Mothers were then told about the "Children's Aid Fund" being raised and if any wished to give they could.

Joining the "Federated Mother's Club" was talked over, but no decision made.

There was 45 cents over from the money raised for Book plate prize & it was decided to keep it in the club as a nest egg.

Mrs Parsons then read & talked from a chapter in "Luxury of Children." also two pieces by Angelo Patri. "The Impudent Child" and "By the Law".

Mrs Horr then read us two Thanksgiving stories, "Mrs Pettingill's Thanksgiving Dinner" and, "Aunt Tamarah's Thanksgiving Day Sermon." Minutes of last meeting were read. Two hymns were sang, and the meeting then adjourned.

A social hour followed during which tea and cake were served.

Mrs Bessie Fargo Secy.

December 27 - 1923

The December meeting of the Mother's club was held .. to our members [illegible] [illegible] three children being present.

Being just two days after Xmas, we opened the meeting with the Hymn, "Silent Night."
Mrs Parsons then read from the Bible and gave a prayer which was followed by the Lord's prayer. She then read a poem, entitled (The Love of the Father) Sec. report was read & accepted.
Mrs Damon then read two chapters from "Life" which showed us an interesting way of teaching our children Nature's Ways. by means of the Flowers, and the Fishes.
Mrs Fargo read about Mr Saunders Experience in "Bringing Up Four Kids".
After which the matter of punishing

Enfield, Mass. Apr. 18, 1916.

A meeting of mothers was held with Mrs. Bliss for the purpose of discussing the advisability of organizing a "Mothers' Club".

After devotional exercises and discussions Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Watkins were chosen as a committee to draw up a constitution.

Papers on "The Needs of A Mother", were given by Mrs. Chaffee, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Parsons.

A social hour followed.

Enfield, Mass. May 24. 1916.

Mothers met at the home of Mrs Bliss. Mrs. Bliss presided, and Mrs. Stevens served as Sec. pro tem.

The report of the Committee on forming a Constitution was read and accepted. It was voted to adopt the Constitution as presented. Mrs Bliss read the 20th chap. of Romans and gave some excellent thoughts on criticism and our judgements one of another.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. Bliss.

Readings were given as follows,

"Parents on Training Children". Mrs. Hewitt
"Thou Shalt not Dose Thy Child" Mrs. E. H. Howe
"What about Obedience?" Mrs Peronto
"Pitty-pat and Tippytoe" Mrs Parsons

The Constitution was signed during the social hour.

Enfield, Mass. June 21, 1916.

A meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Bliss. The minutes of the last meeting were read, and accepted. Election of officers followed. Mrs. Hamilton & Mrs. Tillson were appointed tellers.

The following officers were elected.

Pres.	Mrs. Walter Bliss
Directors	Mrs. F. E. Hamilton
	Mrs. F. E. Parsons
Sec.	Mrs. Harry Hawks
Social Com.	Mrs. A. Richardson
	Mrs. A. R. House

Mrs. Bliss led devotional exercises. Miss Nellie Brown gave a very interesting and instructive paper on "Discipline". A rising vote of thanks was extended her. A social hour followed.

Enfield, Mass. Aug. 30th 1916,

A mothers meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Hamilton. All the children were invited. About thirty mothers, and forty children being present, Miss Dorothy Woods entertained the children on the lawn, while the mothers held a meeting inside.

The meeting opened with a piano solo by Miss Dorothy Woods. The minutes of the last meeting were read, and accepted. Mrs. Bliss led in Devotional exercises.

Following, was given a song, Ben Bolt, by Miss Dorothy Woods.

Mrs. Woods gave, a very [illegible],
and helpful talk, on the bringing
up of children. The three points
emphasized were, physical,
mental, and spiritual.
Following this, Mrs. Woods and
her daughter Dorothy sang
"The Old Oaken Bucket", and,
"Home Sweet Home".
which we all enjoyed.
Mrs. Persons thanked the club
for the flowers and kind
rememberances sent her while
in the hospital.
A social hour followed, ice-cream
and cake was served.

Perhaps it would be well here, to
mention that we now have 31 members.

Enfield, Mass. Sept. 27th 1911.

A mothers meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Bliss. The minutes of the last meeting were read, and accepted. It was voted to send Miss Nellie Brown a note, thanking her for the two magazines, The American Motherhood, and The Kindergarton Magazine, which she has subscribed for, for one year for the club. Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Hamilton have also given the club the use of the Mothers Magazines — Mrs. Donald Howe was chosen, to take charge of the Magazines. —

Mrs. Bliss led in devotional

exercises. And gave a very interesting talk. Her principal thought was, that we should give each one of our family, a little spiritual food, each day. Mrs. Parsons read a very interesting story, "The angel over the right shoulder", Mrs. Harry Heiss read a fine paper on Food and afficiency. A social hour followed.

Enfield, Mass. Oct. 25th 1916.

Our mothers meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Hamilton. Twenty mothers and eight children being present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and accepted.

Mrs. Bliss led in devotional exercises. The thought which she left with us was this, To always take our burdens to the Lord, and learn of him what he would have us to do.

Mrs. Bliss introduced her sister, Mrs Boggs, who is a missionary from China, and

She talked to us on Life in China, their ways of living, customs and so forth, which was very interesting. She also showed us several things which they use in every day life in China, and some of the beautiful work, such as embroidering and carving which they can do.

A social hour followed and refreshments was served.

Enfield, Maine. Nov-22, 1916

A mothers meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Walter Bliss. Fourteen were present.

Mrs. Bliss led the opening devotional service. She spoke on self-control and emphsized especially this verse from Ephs 6-4 Fathers mothers provoke not your children to anger unless they be discouraged.

Selections from "Farm Boys and Girls" one of the books received from the M. A. C. extension department, were read by Mrs. F. E. Parsons. Mrs. George E. Hewitt read the story, "A Tardy Thanksgiving."

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The Mothers' Club, held a meeting, at the home of Mrs. Blair. Twenty were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. Mrs Blair led devotional exercises. Mrs. Downs read selections from "Farm Boys and Girls" one of the [illegible] [illegible] by the M. C. C., [illegible] [illegible], and the [illegible] [illegible] was discussed — a social hour followed and refreshments served —

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[illegible] substitutes, which were very

interesting and helpful. About 20

[illegible] present. [illegible] were

[illegible] substitutes

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(The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Briggs for the interesting talk on China and the many things, from China which she showed us, at our meeting of Oct. [illegible].)

(After the meeting a social hour was enjoyed.)

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Enfield Mass, Mar. 28th 1917.

Our mothers club held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Howe. Fifteen were present. The minutes of the last meetings, were read and accepted. Mr. & Mrs. Donald Howe were given a vote of thanks for their kindness, in furnishing the electric stove, and getting things ready for Miss. Halbower who gave us the food Demonstration.

Mrs. [illegible] led in devotional services. Obedience was our subject. Mrs. Parsons read, "The Victory of a Shrug". Mrs. Hamilton read on Obedience, and a discussion of this subject followed.

Mrs. Chaff read a very interesting little story [illegible] a mothers Club Theory" and also another story the subject of which was "Doddle".

Music was furnished by Mr. Donald Horn.

Refreshments were served and a social hour followed

Mrs [illegible]

Enfield Mass. Apr. 25th 1917.

"The Enfield Mothers Club" held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Walter Bliss, thirteen being present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. Mrs. Bliss led in devotional exercises. The subject for the meeting was a continuation of the subject of our last meeting, "Obedience". Several readings were given on The different ways of winning obedience, by Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Stevens. This subject was discussed, and of course, it was decided that in most all cases, the best way of winning obedience was through love. Mrs. Chipper read

good verses on [illegible]
Violin Solo's were given by
Miss Alice Boller, which were
much enjoyed by all.
Refreshments were served
and a social hour followed

Enfield Mass. May 21st 1917.

Instead of our regular meeting this month, we had two ladies, Mrs. Johnston of Hadley and Mrs. Graves of Hatfield give a talk on economy in the chapel. The public was invited. They were members of the Womans Branch of the Food Production and Conservation work of Northampton. Mrs. Johnston's talk was very interesting as well as helpful and Mrs. Graves gave us some good & economical receipts. A good number were present. Mrs. Hewitt, Mrs. Stevens, and Mrs. Hanks were chosen as nominating committee to nominate officers for the coming year. Music was furnished by Mrs. Emery

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[illegible]eld Mass. Feb. 18th 1916

A meeting of mothers was held at the home of Mrs. Bliss, for the purpose of discussing the advisability of organizing a mothers club. Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. F. Hamilton and Mrs. Stevens were chosen as a committee to draw up a constitution. May 24th 1916, the mothers met again and Mrs. Stevens served as Sec. Pro. Tem. The report of the committee on forming a constitution was read and accepted. It was voted to adopt the constitution as presented. Mrs. Bliss led the devotional exercises and several readings were given by those present. Many argued the constitution during the social hour.

Read constitution

Enfield Mass. June 20th 1917

Our first meeting after the club was formed was held at Mrs. Bliss' home, June 21st 1916.

At this meeting the following officers were elected.

Pres. Mrs. Walter Bliss.
Directors Mrs. F. E. Hamilton.
Mrs. F. E. Parsons
Sec. Mrs. Harry Hanke
Social Com. Mrs. A. Richardson
Mrs. A. R. Howe

We have held 8 regular meetings since the club was formed. Five at the home of Mrs. Bliss, two at Mrs. Frank Hamilton and one at Mrs. Ed. Howe's. Our Dec. meeting was omitted on account of such bad weather although we tried at two different times to hold this meeting. Instead of our regular meeting, in Jan. we had Mrs. Hallowell, of the "Amherst Agricultural Extension Bureau" give a food "Demonstration in the chapel. Which was much enjoyed by all present, which was about forty. Her subject being meat Substitutes.

And instead of our regular meeting in May, we had Mrs. Johnston of Hadley and Mrs. Graves of Hatfield give a talk on economy, in the chapel. Many helpful ideas and receipts were exchanged.

One thing we must not forget to mention is that we were well represented in the

4th of July Parade, by a very pretty float which was trimmed by several members of the club: It was trimmed in green and white - with an arch of [illegible] with large letters of red, white and blue Mothers Club on it. Mothers and children riding on the float expressing that it was a mothers float. Although we didn't get a prize it was considered a success.

Am sure we all wish to thank Mrs. Hamilton again for her kindness in inviting all the children, as well as mothers for a [illegible] lawn party at her home for our Aug. meeting. 30 mothers + 40 children were present. While the [illegible] going on inside, Miss. Dorothy Word entertained the children on the lawn. Music was furnished by Miss. Dorothy Word & Mrs. Word. Mrs. Word also giving a very helpful talk on the bringing up of children. Ice cream and cake was served.

At one meeting Mrs. Boggs, a missionary from China talked ~~to~~ us about the Chinese ways and customs and showed us several things from China. It was all very interesting.

Miss. Nellie Brown gave us an interesting and instructive talk on "[illegible] line" at our June meeting. She also was very thoughtful in subscribing for two magazines for the club. "The American Motherhood" and "The Kindergarten Magazine" The average attendance at our meetings has been good. We now have 36 members. I think this can be counted as a successful year for the "Mothers club" which I think, we will all agree was largely due, to the kindness of our Pres. in opening her home, to us, and her faithfulness and perseverance in keeping the work along, with the help of the Directors & Social committee as well as all the mothers, who have been so free hearted in furnishing such an ample supply of refreshments [illegible]field Mass. June 20th [illegible]

A mothers meeting was, held at the home of Mrs. Walter Bliss. Fourteen were present.

The minutes of last meeting, were read and accepted. The annual report was also read and accepted.

Election of officers, for the coming year followed.

Mrs. Tilson and Mrs. Strong were appointed tellers.

Pres. Mrs. Walter Bliss.

Directors - Mrs. J. E. Parsons.
Mrs. J. E. Hamilton.

Sec - Mrs. Walter Brown.

Social Com. Mrs. Tilson
Mrs. Wracius

We also voted to have an Outlook Com. of five. The following were chosen.

Mrs Clinton Powell
Mrs Annie Richardson
Mrs Strong:
Mrs Tilson.
Mrs Bellinger -

Mrs Bliss led in devotional exercises. Her subject was (liberty) She told us in what way Christians have more liberty than those that are not.

Mrs Chaffee read a story. Mrs Hamilton gave a reading on the Responsabilitys of a mother mentally, morally and spiritualy, A social hour followed

Mrs Richardson invited the club to her home for the Sept. meeting

Enfield Mass. Sept. 26th/1917.

The first meeting of the Mothers Club, to be held after the summer recess was held at the home of Mrs Abraham Richardson-

Seventeen members and six children were present.

The Secretarys report was read and approved. Mrs Powell was appointed to serve as. Director, in place of Mrs Hamilton resigned.

Mrs. Bliss then extended greetings to the club, and introduced Mrs R. M. Woods of Hatfield. Mrs Woods took ~~for~~ her text from Numbers 14th chap and gave a very interesting and instructive talk on the

"Mothers of India" - Mrs Woods was dressed in a natives dress and little Miss Schneider in boys costume - A pair of shoes worn by the natives - also a god worshiped by them was shown us by Mrs Woods.

A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs Woods for her pleasant afternoon given us.

The next place of meeting to be announced later.

Mrs Richardson invited those present to remain for a social hour - refreshments were served.

Pauline Biddles
(Sec. pro tem)

Enfield Mass October 23 1917.

A regular meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the home of Mrs Dwight Tillson Twenty members and six children being present. Mrs Bliss then opened meeting by reading verses from twenty fifth chapter of Matt., she then spoke of the bit being done by the women in their homes making them every bit as good soldiers as any at the front at present time, prayer then followed Secretarys report was then read and approved. Announcement was then made that Miss Harriman would give a course of three lectures to the ladies in the Chapel in the near future. The topics being. Health of women in the home. School lunches and saving time. It was voted to hold Nov + Dec. Mothers meetings one week earlier than usual as the regular meetings would come so near the holidays. It was moved a vote of

Thanks be sent Miss Nellie E. Brown for her kindness in sending the Mother's Club the two magazines for the coming year the American Motherhood and the Mothers Magazine. Mrs Hewitt then gave a reading by Mary Wilkins entitled "An unwilling guest." which was much enjoyed by all. after which Mrs Parsons gave a very interesting and instructive paper upon the punishment of children. Conservation cards were then passed an signed. Two new members were added to Club membership Mrs Ralph Randall and Mrs Wm. Hodge. Meeting then closed to meet Nov 21st and a social hour then followed.

Inez Richardson Brown
(Sec.)

Enfield Mass Nov 21 - 1917

[illegible] session.

A regular meeting of Mothers club was held in Chapel. Mrs Bliss opened meeting in due form and introduced Miss Harriman of Amherst College as speaker for the afternoon, who gave us a very interesting & instructive talk upon the health of women in the home. We were told this talk would be of no use to us unless we faithfully applied the instructions given, among the most important being, the daily rest & thorough relaxation at stated intervals, that we may store the reserve strength & fit us for our daily tasks. For what we need is not less work but more strength & energy both nerve & physical & to do this, we should use our mental energy to find ways to relieve us of all bodily strain, among the things suggested was to stand straight, sit erect & to raise the dish pans and tubs while working over them so we would stand straight & not over as many do. She also spoke of the use of will power when we had the blues that we might overcome this & [illegible] depression as this [illegible] energy & that is what we need [illegible] we get blue.

Miss Fairman also spoke of the need of teaching the children the importance & care of their bodies, also that children in rural districts were not as strong as those in the city as the medical conditions were not as strongly inforced in the rural school as in the city, & it remained with the parents to see that this was done. A vacation of at least 1 week once or twice a year was strongly advised & best if this couldn't be done then take a whole day off frequently, the care of the feet was also spoken of that we should not permitt the wearing of high small heels in center of the foot and should be sure to get shoes that will fit us well, as this is the cause of much trouble among women in general. Mention was also made of the false statement being made that home canned fruits & vegetables were poisonous, she then said 2 cups of water before breakfast one before dinner one before supper & one on retiring with plenty of fruits & vegetables would relieve constipation. Meeting then closed in due form with 43 members & guests. In connection a fine collection of Tea Cakes, Breads & Cookies with their receipts were on exhibition and were judged.

well tested, a social hour then followed in which every one enjoyed them selves.

Inez R. Brown.
(Sec.)

Enfield Mass. Dec. 27 - 1917.

A regular meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the home of Mrs E. H. Howe with 23 members & guests and 5 children present. Mrs Bliss the President called the meeting to order and had the usual devotional service reading from the 21st chapter of John, also speaking of the adaptability of this chapter to the present times and conditions, that we should live more with Christ and let not our hearts be troubled neither let it be afraid. Prayer was then offered after which the reports of the two last meetings were read and approved after which [illegible], Mrs [illegible] with her voice Miss Alice [illegible] as accompanist. Then [illegible] one of the songs sung by the boys in the trenches entitled, "Keep the Home fires burning" After which Miss [illegible] E. B[illegible] [illegible] as speaker for the afternoon, Miss Brown brought to the mothers the message from a little book called "America you are the hope of the world." also speaking of what the conditions will be at the close of the war, urging upon us all the necessity of better training, that teachers should have experience in our schools to prepare our boys & girls for the future, that the school spirit should increase rather than lessen; that we should make every effort [illegible] possible for the schools that they may be made better, for America will have to furnish the Professors & teachers for Europe after this war, for all the old Professors will have died, and those who would have taken their places will have been killed in this war. And necessarily Europe will be obliged to look to America for help. Then the assembly [illegible] of the salute to the flag [illegible]

Massachusetts. James B. Upham of Malden Mass. was the true author and worked for 5 years to have the United States flags fly from every school house and at last was successful. Mrs. Rose then sang [illegible] another song entitled "Over There". The meeting was then closed in due form, after which a social hour followed and then Leonora gave recitations and instrumental selections upon the piano.

Inez R. Brown (Sec.)

Enfield, Mass. Jan 30-1918.

A regular meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the home of the President Mrs Walter Bliss, sixteen being five of whom were children. Mrs Bliss called meeting to order. the reports of last meeting were then read and approved, she then read from 37th Psalm which especially applied to present times also speaking of necessity of training children early in life to say a prayer ~~as~~ it tends to make children better, and also spoke of change wrought all over world by war. A reading was then given by Mrs Bliss from bureau of Education Mrs Stevens then read a paper upon financing a home speaking of taking income of husbands each week or month and giving it to the daughter and asking them to use it in a most prudent manner and thereby [illegible] the income. This would teach housekeeping in all its branches. Mrs Bliss then showed us a good system [illegible] to the farm and home; after which a discussion followed upon housekeeping and feeding the husband, the meeting then closed in due form and a social hour followed.

Mary R. Brown. (Sec.)

Enfield, Mass. Feb. 27. 1,8, A Mothers Meeting was held at the home of Mrs. A. F. Barlow 16 adults and five children were present. Mrs. Perry Banks was chosen Sec. Pro. tem. The Sec. report was then read. Mrs. Bliss led the devotional exercises. she compared our hearts to a bed of coals. Some times we have restless Mondays in our hearts but we should pray without ceasing and the sparks are the little prayers going up to God we should keep our heart fires burning. Mrs. Bliss offered prayer. Mrs. Parsons read current events. Mrs. Bliss read a talk on self government as against government by authority, and a discussion on self control followed. Mrs. Chaffee read a poem also a [illegible] article. Mrs. Smith read a story about "his [illegible]" which was very good. Some points in the discussion were very good ~~to~~ Remember such, get the children to want to do right, train their will, then give him good ideals, train the will not break it. In some cases it is better to divert the attention of a child & make it do what you want. Tell him why when told not to do a thing. Sometimes let children find out by their own mistakes. Music was furnished by Miss Barlow, a social hour followed.

Mrs Harry Hanks Sec. Pro. Tem

March 30- Was an open meeting held in Chapel with a good attendance, The speaker for the afternoon was Miss Harriman to whom you need no introduction, she gave us a very interesting & instructive talk on the preparation and combining of different foods to obtain a balanced ration, after before meeting then [illegible] with a social time following

Lucy R. Brown Sec.

April 30- was an open meeting in Chapel the speaker was Mrs [illegible] who spoke upon the care of children as at that time the Country was asked to direct its thoughts towards the

Child Welfare movement, after the lecture a social hour followed with refreshments, the making them hostess in her home

Inez R. Brown Sec.

May 29 Miss Harriman met with these again in the interest of homemaking service, the home, talking some things which could be used, talking of many things. It was voted to have Miss Harriman give a demonstration of [illegible] in the near future. The meeting was closed with social hour of visiting at which warm cake & sandwiches were served.

Inez R. Brown (Sec.)

Regular Meeting June 26 — 1916.

A regular meeting of the [illegible] was held with the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. The Sec. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and accepted. Report of [illegible] nominating com. was read and accepted, [illegible] [illegible] were elected as Pres. [illegible] [illegible] Directors. Mrs [illegible], Mrs Harris Hunter.

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Evening. After the business [illegible]

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Quietness and [illegible]

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[illegible] Stevens [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Sec. pro tem.

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[illegible] and instructive [illegible]

Enfield, Mass. July 2 An open meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the Chapel Miss Harriman giving a talk & demonstration on Canning which was much enjoyed by all especially the sampling of articles done with less sugar. We were also told that the only absolutely sure rubber ring we could get now was known as the Kold process rubber. & could be obtained in Boston. It was voted to have the nurse sent out by Baby Welfare League of Massachusetts come to Enfield the following

Sat. to weigh the babies of the town & give general directions on care of the children. A Committee was then appointed to look after the same, consisting of Mrs Howe, Mrs House & Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Dickenson, Mrs Hess. The meeting then closed for the summer.
29 Adults & 10 children present, Mrs E. Brown. (Sec.)

On Sept. 25th A meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the home of Mrs Walter Bliss sixteen adults and several children being present, Mrs Bliss called the meeting to order, It was then voted the Secretary write a note of thanks to Miss Nellie Brown for subscriptions to magazines for the Mothers Club. Mrs Bliss then Introduced Mrs R. M. Woods who read half of the seventh chapter of Matt. prayer then followed, Mrs Woods then gave us a very interesting & instructive talk upon the duties of a mother and the training of children using as an illustration two apples from the same tree one beautiful & fair to look upon the other small and very inferior thus illustrating the moral spray of the parents upon the two children of the family, saying the training of children was a God given work. She also read from the book Pirate Pete & the [illegible] and spoke of of some things in another book by Connie B. Dorson and that Godliness counts most in the army for a clean body means a clean mind and spirit, where they also have the Spit & polish rule. The meeting then adjourned and a social hour followed. A rising vote of thanks was extended Mrs Woods for the fine talk she gave.

Mrs R. Brown. Sec.)

Nov 6th A regular meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the home of Mrs Gillson; with eleven adults and four children present. Mrs Bliss called the meeting to order, (Sec) report was then read and approved. Mrs Bliss then spoke of the many things which had happened since our last meeting, also of the loss of one of our members, Mrs Weber who has been called to join the realms above, through the physical body is released. I cannot

not feel the spiritual body still lives and is
ever near us. The meeting was then made
the possibility with [illegible] [illegible] in bringing
[illegible] at the present time. The verse from
the bible was then read and was look to
God and be saved, after a short talk upon
this subject prayer was offered. [illegible]
was [illegible] of the society [illegible] some
books for the members to read. Mrs Chas.
Downing then read a good article upon
problems in child training the necessity
of teaching the child to mind at once
Mrs E. B. Downing then read a chapter from
a book entitled Childhood after which
there was a short discussion. Mrs. Brown
then read an article Entitled Sunshine
which was very good & spoke of sympathy
being as good as sunshine in any time.
Meeting then adjourned and a social
hour followed with refreshments served
which were much enjoyed by all.

Ruby R. Brown (Sec.)

Ten Adults and Seven Children were present at the meeting on Dec. 4th 915. at the home of Mrs Bliss. The Sec. report was read. Mrs Bliss then spoke in regard to sending flowers for any member who should pass out. It was then voted to do so and each member to bring a fee at such times to assist in payment of the same. Notice was then given that Miss Harriman & Miss Ayers of Northampton were to come first Thursday in Jan. A Continuance of Bible verses of last meeting was read. Prayer was then offered. Mrs Brown then read a chapter from "Childhood" after which Mrs Graves and Mrs Bliss read "The angel over the right shoulder." Meeting then adjourned and a social hour followed.

Inez R. Brown (Sec.)

First thursday in Jan Miss Harriman and Miss Ayers gave an interesting talk in Chapel it being given, principally by Miss Ayers. it being principally upon [illegible] the body being compared to a machine therefore [illegible] should have great care she then spoke of the different parts of the body classing them as, A—Framework B—Muscular System. C.—Skin. D.—Vital organs. Each of the preceding was taken up in detail. The different nervous systems were talked over Central & Sympathetic. The Circulatory system was explained minutely. Digestion followed. Hygiene and how to live, after which Miss Harriman spoke briefly on Sanitation. A—Ventilation. B.—Water Supply. C—Waste matter D.— care of different utensils.

Alice G. Parsons (Sec

Feb. 26 – 1919. A regular meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the home of Mrs Bliss with ten adults & five children present, Sec. report was read & approved. A letter from Miss Harriman was read expressing her desire for an all day session of the sewing circle from ten A.M. to four P.M. with a box lunch at noon, Also there was to be a

Question box, which any might put questions in to be answered by Miss. Harriman. The words of Christ before the Crucifixion were then read by Mrs Bliss she also spoke of the three fold nature of Children in mind, body & spirit, that all depended upon the Mother for the child was helpless, Prayer was then offered after which a reading was given, Fear Anxiety & Grief, & half a chapter on obedience & punishment by Mrs Brown.
Mrs Stevens then gave a reading, Somewhere in France, Somewhere in America.
After which a social hour followed.

Inez R. Brown. (Sec.)

April 23-1919. Sixteen adults & Eleven children met at the home of Mrs Bliss for a regular meeting of the Mother's Club. Sec. report was read & approved. A notice was then given from Miss Chaffee of the W.C.T.U. Convent=
=ion to be held in Enfield May 17- Also

of a speaker who was to speak upon racial betterment, notice was also given of the receipt of papers outlining work for sewing Circle for next meeting. Also of a question box to be used by all who wished. Questions to be answered at next meeting. Devotional service was then led by Mrs Bliss who spoke upon forming of Character, after which Mrs Bliss read a selection from a book Entitled Meaning of Prayer by Fosdick speaking of subject of contact with our children, the most difficult age to manage children being from thirteen to eighteen. Prayer was then offered after which a system of keeping accounts was shown. Mrs Frank Chaffee gave a piano selection. Home Sweet Home with variations, Mrs Parsons read remainder of chapter on Obedience & punishment, and a chapter on individuality, Mrs Chaffee gave a recitation with a piano accompaniment from the Catch

Mrs Chickering then gave a short reading & meeting then closed with a social hour.

Mrs. E. Brown (Sec.)

On May 28-1919.- A regular meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the home of Mrs Bliss with twelve adults and nine Children present. The Sec.' report was read and approved. Notice was then given of a change in time of next meeting it to be held one week earlier than usual. Mrs Brown and Mrs Stevens were then appointed a nominating Com.' A devotional service was then read by Mrs Bliss which was a continuation of that used at last meeting, God in us I. Cor. 3-16. and II. Cor. Cleanliness in body and spirit and God in the heart. Mrs Bliss then read some book by [illegible]. Child not without its faults but blameless if doing best we can. A short talk was given on the lecture given by Miss

Still man who teaches facts of life in the public schools and which should come from the mother a discussion followed. Prayer was then offered, Mrs Parsons then read of habits and will from book entitled Childhood. An amusing sketch Uncle Podger was then read by Mrs Fleming, after which meeting closed in due form and a social hour followed.

Inez R. Brown (Sec)

Annual Report of Mothers Club
for 1918 – 1919.

Enfield, Mass. June 16 – 1919.

Five regular and two special meetings of the Mothers Club have been held this year. The meetings were somewhat interrupted by the epidemic of influenza in the first of the Club year. Through the Mothers Club the efficiency club has been formed giving instructions in cutting, drafting [illegible]

[illegible] making these meetings, have been very successful and instructive to all who have attended. We have received several new members, and some have moved away, while two of our young mothers have been called to that home of many mansions, Flowers have been furnished by the members for those departed. The meetings have had a good attendance and while we have met with losses and crosses in many ways, we cannot but feel they have been successful and hope for a continuance in the future.

Lucy R. Brown Sec.

Enfield Mass
June 18, 1919

The last meeting of the year was held at the home of Mrs. Bliss. Emily Parsons gave two piano solos. Mrs. Bliss led the devotions, her thoughts clustering around this main thought. "Not by might nor by power but by my spirit saith the Lord".

The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The Annual report was also read and accepted. The report of the nominating com. was read and accepted.

Mrs. Stevens & Mrs. Downing were appointed tellers.

The following officers were elected

Pres. Mrs. Bliss.	Directors
Sec. " Parsons	Mrs. Powell
	" Brown

Social Com. Mrs. Downing
Mrs. Stevens read a story
"The Big Race" as told by
a small boy
Meeting adjourned and a
social hour followed. Ice
cream and cake were
served - with strawberries.

Alice G. Parsons Sec.

Sept. 24, 1919.

The Sept. meeting of the Mothers' Club was held at the home of Mrs. Bliss.

The report of the Sec. was read and accepted. Mrs. Bliss talked of women and their club work. Devotions were led by Mrs. Bliss, her subject being, "Ask and ye shall receive that your joy may be full."
An article from The Kindergartener was read by Mrs. Brown.
One on "How to Make Home Happy" by Mrs. Parsons. "Tid Bits" by Mrs. Brown. "The Kindergarten Commandments" by Mrs. Barlow. The central thought of the meeting was "Happiness". A social hour followed the adjournment of the meeting.

Alice G. Parsons Sec.

The meeting of the Mothers' Club was held at the home of Mrs. Tillson Oct. 29th. As the Sec. was absent Mrs. Clifton Moore was appointed secretary pro tem.

The report of the Sec. was read and accepted. It was announced that Miss Nellie Brown had subscribed to the magazine for the club. It was voted that the Sec. be authorized to write and thank Miss Brown for the same. Articles from the American Motherhood were read by Mrs. Bliss. The devotional part of the meeting was on the visit of Jesus to Martha's and Mary's home. The thought was that we should not be too busy to think of Christ and to practice living with God. This closed with a prayer by Mrs. Bliss.

Mrs. Downing read an article on Dealing with Different Types of Children and Mrs Wells one on Sleep. Mrs. Brown read a story

Prayer and Faith. A social hour was held.

Grace Thayer Moore
Sec. Protem

Miss Brown's address
29 James St. Bangor, Maine

Dec. 3, 1919.

The Mothers' Meeting was held with Mrs. Bliss. The report of the Sec. was read and accepted.

Mrs. Bliss conducted devotional exercises her subject being taken from Mark 10 about Blind Bartimaeus. As the man of old prayed for vision so we, mothers, should pray for a larger vision, a truer conception of God, that we may lead our children to Him. Mrs. Parsons read two articles, The Ideal Mother and Seventeen Rules for Mothers. Mrs. Brown read several short, humorous articles.

A social hour followed, enjoyed by all.

Alice G. Parsons, Sec

Enfield, Mass.

Owing to the weekly meetings of the Clothing Efficiency Club and the bad weather, no Mother's Meetings were held in Jan. or Feb. but on Mar. 31 one was held in the Chapel, with Miss Nellie Brown as speaker.

All ladies interested were invited. Miss Brown's talk on Child Problems was very interesting and helpful. I wish more might have heard her.

Mrs. Hewitt gave piano solos.

About twenty adults and several children were present.

After the meeting closed a social hour with refreshments was enjoyed.

Alice E. Parsons Sec.

Enfield Mass.
Apr. 28 1920

The regular meeting of The Mothers' Club was held with Mrs. Bliss. Because of the heavy rain the greater part of the day, only six members were present but we had a good meeting.

The Report of the Sec. was read and accepted.

Mrs. Bliss talked on Courage, how much it was needed by mothers, and how only God could supply the need. This was followed by prayer.

Mrs. Bliss read two articles one "Not Looking Back" & "A Loaf of Bread". The leading thought was courage and that mothers should teach the children to have courage.

Mrs Parsons read "When Pa Counted Out the Clothes". Refreshments and a social hour followed.

Alice G. Parsons Sec.

The May meeting of the Mothers' Club was held in the Chapel. Although a small meeting it was a very helpful one.

Mrs Downick and Miss Brown served refreshments.

Annual Report

Although the Mothers' Club has not held all its regular meetings this year, it has, never the less been a successful year.

The meetings which have been held have been very helpful and generally well attended.

The Clothing Efficiency Club and Millinery Class, both started by the Mothers' Club have been very successful. I believe Miss Harriman says, that some of the best work done in this county has been done by the Enfield club. Some thirty to thirty five people, perhaps more, have been helped by these classes so we are really very glad to have started these classes.

We are sorry that we can't have Mrs. Bliss as our leader another year, but we are going to try to manage without her, because she wants us to, and wherever she may be, the good wishes of the Enfield Mother's Club will go with her.

Alice G. Parsons Sec.

Enfield, June 23, 1920.

The last regular meeting of the Mothers' Club was held in the home of Mrs. Walter Brown, a goodly number being present. Transportation by auto was furnished to all who wished to avail themselves of it through the kindness of Mrs. Bliss. The meeting opened with the Sec. report which was read and accepted. Then followed the election of officers for the year. Pres. Mrs. Parsons., Directors, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Powell, Miss Brown. Sec. Mrs. Tillson, Social Com. Mrs. Wells.

Mrs. Bliss led devotional exercises and gave a very helpful talk on Joy how necessary and desirable it was to every one of us. A pleasing entertainment of music and reading was furnished by the Misses Woode, Miss Bolter and Mrs. Warren. A social hour with cake, ice cream and strawberries closed the meeting. A. E. Tillson.
Sec.

Oct. 27, 1920.

The Mothers' Club met for the first meeting of the year in the home of Mrs. Tillson, Oct. 27. Our new Pres. Mrs. Parsons called for Sec. report which was read and accepted. Then followed the reading of Christ's prayer and a talk on how helpful and comforting it was to every one of us. Mrs. Parsons read a chapter on, "Growing up with the children", a continuation in a book formerly read in Mothers' Club. A touching story, "The Vase", was read and appreciated by all present. A humerous recital, "The Watermelon", was given by Mrs. Wells. After refreshments were served, the meeting closed.

A. E. Tillson, Sec.

Jan. 26, 1921.

Mrs. Moore entertained the Mothers Club Jan. 26 and a very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed. Owing to the absence of the Pres. on account of illness of parents, Mrs. Moore led the meeting, by 1st. reading of scripture, followed by Lords Prayer in which all joined, then Sec. report, reading another chapter in book, reading by Mrs. Downing, another by Mrs. Moore. A discussion on what paper or magazine the Mothers Club could have through the kindness of Miss Nellie Brown closed the meeting. Cake, cookies and tea were served.

Agnes E. Tillson, Sec.

The Mothers' Club met with Mrs. Parsons on Mar. 23, 1921. Twelve mothers and several children were present. The Sec. report was read and accepted, Mrs. Parsons was chosen Sec. Pro Tem. The following program was given, A Poem "The Mothers Hymn" was read, Bible Reading from Isa. 32:17-18, Luke 10:38-42. Prayer followed by Lords Prayer. Another Chap. from Childhood over Temperament and Discipline was read. A letter from Mrs. Bliss was read. Mrs. Powell brought a story which Mrs. [illegible] read about one mother's job which was very interesting. Miss Brown was to be given a vote of thanks from the club for the magazines. Refreshments and a social hour followed.

Alice G. Parsons
Sec. Pro Tem.

The Mothers Club met with Mrs. Parsons on Apr. 28. The Sec. being absent the reading of the minutes of the last meeting were omitted. Voted that a note of sympathy be sent Mrs. Weston. The meeting opened with a hymn, What a Friend we have in Jesus. Bible reading from Gal. 6; 1-10. Prayer closing with the Lord's Prayer. Poem, "Shining for Jesus". Chapter from Childhood, The moral value of Occupation. "Tidbits", by Mrs. Brown. "Junior's first day at school," by Mrs. Parsons. Reading "The Inventor's wife", by Mrs. Wells. Meeting closed with "Blest be the Tie that binds". Refreshments and social hour followed.

Mrs. Parsons, Sec.
Pro. Tem.

May 25, 1921.

Owing to a severe shower at the time of this meeting only seven members of The Mothers Club were present. Several songs were sung around the piano, a prayer for Love, by Rev. Sheridan Bell. A conundrum was given, "What am I?" the answer being, "Good Health". Story was read by Mrs. Horr, A poem, "My mother". A nominating Com. consisting of Mrs. Horr, Mrs. Damon and Mrs. Mrs. Moore, to choose officers for the ensuing year, was elected at this meeting. Several more songs were sung and the meeting closed with refreshments.

Mrs. Parsons
Sec. Pro. Tem.

Annual report.

From what has been said by several members of the mothers' club we can judge the meetings have been looked forward to and thoroughly enjoyed. Our new Pres. Mrs. Parsons has not only proved to be a success as Pres and hostess but Sec. as well at most of the meetings for which I, for one, sincerely thank her. Through the kindness of Miss Nellie Brown magazines were enjoyed and of others, entertainment was furnished. We hope the coming year will be as pleasant and enjoyabe as the past has been.

Agnes E. Tillson
Sec.

June.

The mothers meeting was held at the home of the Pres. Mrs Parsons, with [illegible] and 9 children. The meeting opened with singing of two hymns. and responsive reading Mrs Parsons read a short from "Mothers Prayer," prayer was offered by the Pres. the secretary report was read and accepted. also treasurer report. The nominating Comm. had made report as follows.

Officers for the coming year.
1921 - 1922.

Pres. Mrs Parsons.
Sec'y Mrs Lamson.
Social Comm, Chairman. Mrs Moore, & Mrs Laird.
Directors. Miss Nellie Brown. Mrs Walter Brown and Mrs James Hall.

The regular voting was done. and all officers accepted. Mrs Parsons read us a very interesting story entitled, "Thomas Dicky Child story." Miss Emily Dawson and Charlotte Brown, giving [illegible], [illegible] of the East, which we much enjoyed. Then the meeting closed with a social hour, and cake and bananas were served by Mrs Dawson and Mrs Moore.

Lila Dawson,
Sec.

Sept.

The Mothers meeting was held with our Pres. Mrs Parsons. with 13 grown ups & 12 children. the meeting opened with singing 2 hymns. then the president read a nice poem - and a chapter from the bible about Hannah. which we enjoyed. prayer was offered by the Pres. and the minutes of the last meeting read and accepted. Mrs Parsons read a chapter from the book Childhood. and we had an interesting talk on what to tell our children. Mrs Tillson gave us an invitation to meet with her for the next meeting in Oct. and it was voted to accept it. meeting adjourned and we had a social hour with refreshments.

Lida L Damon
Sec'y

Oct

The meeting of the Mothers [illegible] was held at the home of Mrs. [illegible] and was largely attended by [illegible] grown [illegible] children.

Mrs. Parsons led the business [illegible]. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. Mrs. Parsons gave us a leaflet entitled "Choosing the occupation for a child". by Mrs. Theodore W. Birnie. an article "How to keep the children on the farm" was read and discussed. [illegible] was given by Mrs. [illegible] [illegible] meeting [illegible] followed by refreshments.

Lila [illegible]
Secy.

November.

The November mothers meeting was held in the home of Mrs Ed Hoch with 12 grown ups and five children. The meeting opened by singing Beautiful California by Bernice [illegible] with Marion Hayes at the Piano. which was much enjoyed by us all. Mrs Parsons offered prayer and the minutes of the last meeting read and accepted. Then Mrs Hoch gave an wonderful talk on her trip to California 192[illegible]. Which I am sure was [illegible] and enjoyable. She had views and post cards which made us all wish we were in sunny California. Meeting adjourned (and refreshments were served.

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to Miss [illegible] Field

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January.

The Meeting of the Mothers Club was held at the home of the Pres - Mrs Parsons. with 7 grown people - 6 children. The meeting was opened by singing Mrs Parsons read aim & pledge Minutes of the last meeting was read and accepted - it was voted to send the 3.50 that Miss Nellie Brown ~~felt~~ sent us toward Magazines. for the Pictorial Review and McCall's Magazine. Mrs Lola Downing read article on Modern Motherhood Which was all enjoyed, meeting closed and Cake & tea was served.

Lila Lamory
Secy.

"February"

The mothers meeting was held at the
home of the Pres, Mrs Carson with
16 grown people and 7 children.
meeting opened by singing a hymn.
prayer was offered by the Pres.
Minutes of the last meeting were read
and accepted. then Mrs Carson read
a chapter out of our book of Human-
tures which was very interesting.
she also read two short items.
meeting closed and all enjoyed
social hour, refreshments were served

Lelia [illegible]
Secy.

March 29-1922.

The regular meeting of the Mothers' Club was held in the home of our President, Mrs. Parsons. Because of the heavy rain the greater part of the day only seven members were present with eight children.

As the secretary was absent, Mrs. Bartlett was appointed secretary pro tem. The report of the secretary was read and accepted. Mrs. Parsons led the devotional exercises and gave a reading from St. P. She also read a chapter from our book on [illegible] and from "Childhood" both of which was very interesting and helpful.

It was voted that the Club donate one dollar toward defraying the expenses of the olina Health League which is to give a lecture here sometime during May.

Meeting adjourned and a social hour followed. Tea, cake and cookies were served.

Harriet F. Bartlett
Secretary (pro tem)

The regular monthly April meeting of The Reading Club was held with Mrs Briggs with nine members. Children and one visitor Mrs Grace Moore took charge of the meeting. On account of the absence of Pres. Devotional exercises were led by Mrs M with the reading of a Psalm. and a chapter from the book of (Hannah). minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Mrs Damon read a chapter from our Loved (Childhood) which finished the book. Mrs Havens read, How to make a home by Jane Walton Porter which was good. Mrs Bartlett read from the Passing Moment by Mary Brooks Pickering which we all enjoyed. meeting closed and a social hour was enjoyed with refreshments and selections on the Graphophone.

Lila I Damon
Secy

May -

The regular meeting of the mothers Club was held in the home of Mrs Pees. with 14 grown people and 9 children. Devotional excercises were led by the Pres. minutes of the last meeting was read and accepted Mrs Parsons read a chapter from our book Hannah and also A protest against womens dress by a College Man. Mrs Damon read two articles. a Mothers prayer and my mother by John Wanamaker. our Pres. gave us a talk or told us about the mothers meeting she attended in N Spring field and was enjoyed by all. a night dress pattern was cut out and given to members if they wanted it. meeting adjourned and cake and lemonade was served and every one enjoyed this of course.

Mrs Damon.
Sec.

The regular monthly meeting of the Mothers Club was held in the home of our Pres. Mrs Parsons with 14 in attendance. Meeting opened with singing of two hymns. Mrs Parsons led the devotional exercises. Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. Officers for the coming year were chosen and voted on and all accepted as follows.

Pres. — Mrs Parsons.
Directors { Miss Nellie Brown.
Mrs Damon
Mrs Hanks.
Sec'y Mrs Bartlett.
Refreshment Comm, Mrs Haigo
& Mrs Nedcius.

Mrs Parsons gave us some very interesting readings. One by Gene Stratton Porter on what books we should choose for our children to read. Emily Dawson sang for us and we all enjoyed it very much. meeting closed and punch and cake were served with a good social time following.

Lila I Dawson
Sec'ry

Aug. 16 - 1922.

A special meeting of the Mother's Club was held on Aug 16th in the home of our President, Mrs. Parsons, with eleven mothers in attendance. Mrs Parsons led in devotional exercises, after which she read an article on Schools. This meeting was held to suggest starting a petition to be sent to the School Committee asking that the children staying at School during the noon hours be allowed the use of the Primary room and that Miss Foster be employed to take charge of these children. This subject was freely discussed and unanimously voted on, as a result of this meeting a request for the above action was sent to each of the three school committee by the Mother's Club and a petition for the same action signed by many of the fathers and mothers in the town was sent to the Chairman of the School Committee.

After this important question for the

the Mothers' Club had been called
was ~~settled~~
meeting adjourned and we had a social
hour together, our refreshment committee
serving cake and lemonade.

Harriet F. Bartlett, Sec'y.

Sept 27 - 1922.

The first regular meeting of the year was held in the home of Mrs. Fargo with 14 Mothers and 19 children present. Because of the absence of our President, Mrs. Moore had charge of the meeting. After the devotional exercises, the minutes of the August meeting were read and accepted. Then there were several readings by different members as follows:

Mrs. Moore read a splendid article on "The Master is Coming"

Mrs. Fargo a reading on 'Mother's Way' which proved to be an excellent way.

Mrs. Hanks read a humorous discussion of 'Mrs Penny's Idea on Big Families'.

Mrs. Bartlett read Mary Brooks Picken on "Roof Trees of Character."

After the meeting, cake and chocolate were served, with a social hour following.

Harriet F. Bartlett Sec'y

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November 22/1922.

The November meeting of the Mother's Club met in the home of our President, with ten mothers and seven children in attendance. The meeting was opened with the 23rd Psalm and prayer by our president. Minutes of the October meeting were read and accepted. Mrs Parsons read a paper, formerly prepared for the [illegible] Club, on "Housekeeping and Homekeeping", and very appropriate for the Thanksgiving season which is now with us. Then she read a second installment of the continued story "Mother-Knows" printed in Today's Magazine. Miss Gray read a short story entitled "In America He Wears Hats" which plainly showed the child's idea of mother properly dressed. Then we read a chapter from the book "The Enjoying of Children" which discussed the value of many children as compared with money and the things which money alone brings us.

After the meeting tea and cake were served, a pleasant hour following.

Harriet J. Baxter. Sec.

Dec. 27, 1922.

The December meeting of the Mothers Club was held with our President. There were fifteen mothers and ten children present. Mrs. Parsons led us in prayer. Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. Mrs Moore read the third installment of "Mothers Primer". Emily Parsons sang two songs, enjoyed by all. Mrs Parsons read a chapter from 'Journey of Children'; also a poem by Edgar Guest entitled 'Boy or Girl.' Mrs Brown read us [illegible], time-saving and other matters of interest.

Meeting closed with a social hour enjoyed by all. Cakes and tea were served.

[illegible] Bartlett, Secy.

Jan 24th 1923.

The January meeting of the Mothers' Club was held in the home of Mrs. Lindsey, with fourteen mothers and seven children present. Mrs. Cameron opened the meeting with a Bible reading, subject 'Words of Love' and followed with prayer. After this she read a poem written by Edgar Guest entitled "[illegible]." Then the members voted to give a vote of thanks to Mrs. Hollie Brown for the use of the magazines for the Club. Minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. Mrs. Cameron read a chapter from book 'Training of Children', also extracts from two very interesting letters from a friend traveling in Canada. Mrs. Moore finished the last installment of "Mother Knows" which [illegible] very satisfactory.

The Mothers Club met with Mrs. Hammond on Feb. 28th. There were nine mothers and eight children present. Our Vice President Mrs. [illegible] has moved away. Mrs. [illegible] opened the meeting by reading the 24th Psalm also a prayer. She read a chapter in "The [illegible] of Children." This was followed by two [illegible] selections. Mrs. [illegible] read "Grandfather's [illegible]" and [illegible] "[illegible] of Long Ago" a [illegible] talk. Mrs. Banks read a poem, "A Plea for The Working Girl" also a short story entitled "The Children's Auction," very good. Mrs. Hart read "Hezekiah's Donation" which is considered very true to life.

Meeting adjourned. Cake and cocoa were served followed by a social hour.

Leila J. Hammond, Sec'y [illegible]

cake and coffee were served and a pleasant hour followed.

Harriet F. Bartlett, Secy

The regular meeting of the Mother's Club was held in the home of Mrs Monroe on Mar. 28th. Fifteen mothers and eleven children being present, a very good attendance considering the cold stormy day. Mrs. Hamon opened the meeting by reading verses from a chapter of O.T., followed by the Lord's Prayer. Secretary's report of the Feb. meeting was read and approved. Mrs. Hamon read a chapter from "Training of Children" which was briefly commented on. Mrs. Fargo then read a poem by Edgar Guest "Knowing a Boy," Mrs Lyman followed this with an article on "How I Brought Up My Child," enjoyed by all. Three new members were then added to our list, Mrs. Wm. Teess, Mrs. Eva Hickman and Mrs. W. H. Lyman. This closed the and a social hour followed with refreshment

Harriet H. [illegible]

Apr. 25th 1923.

The April meeting of the Mother's Club was held with Mrs. Bartlett and largely attended, twenty mothers and sixteen children present.

Mrs. Gray opened the meeting with reading from the 'Beatitudes' followed by the Lord's Prayer joined by all.

Secretary's report was read and approved.

Mrs. Gray then read a chapter entitled "Exchanging Children" from our book "[illegible] of Children". There were readings by Mrs. Hanson, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Horn and Mrs. Fargo, and our leader read us an interesting story 'Call of the Meadow Lark'. Meeting closed, refreshments of tea and cake were served and a pleasant hour followed.

Harriet F. Bartlett, Sec'y.

The regular meeting of the Mothers club was held at the home of Mrs. Robert Stone May 23rd as May 30th was Memorial Day. Fifteen mothers and nineteen children were present. Mrs. Cora Horr had charge of the meeting. She read Ephesians 6. 1-20 and 1 Corinthians 13-1-13. verses. All joined in the Lord's Prayer. The song Blessed Assurance was sung. The secretary's report was read and accepted. Mrs. Moore was appointed secretary pro tem as the secretary was unable to be present. Mrs. Horr read from "The Luxury of Children".

children as an Incentive.
Mrs. Hargo read a sermon
on the High Cost of Life.
Mrs. Damon read a
Reverie to Mother's Day.
Mrs. Hawkes and Mrs.
Carrie Webster read Extracts
from Angelo Patri. Mrs.
Moore read two short
poems.
Mrs. Hoar read a story
"Laura's Little Book.

The meeting closed
with the song, "Love Divine
All Love Excelling.

Mrs. Hawkes, Mrs. Steele
and Mrs. Bartlett were
appointed a Nominating
Committee to bring in
their report at the next

meeting.

There was a social hour and refreshments were served.

Grace Thayer Moore Sec pro Tem

The regular meeting of the Mother's Club was held at the home of Mrs. Herbert Paine, June 27th. Mrs. Parsons had charge of the meeting. The meeting opened with the hymn "Love Divine All Love Excelling" and the 23rd Psalm. Mrs. Parsons led in prayer followed by the Lord's Prayer. The reported of the nominating committee was read and accepted. Mrs. Moore was appointed secretary pro tem. Voted to have a vice president. Voted to have the secretary cast one ballot for the list of officers. The secretary did so and the following officers were elected.

President - Mrs. Parsons
Vice President - Mrs. Moore
Sec. Mrs. Gray.
Directors
Miss Nellie Brown
Mrs. Walter Brown
Mrs. Stock
Refreshment Committee
Mrs. Stone
Mrs. Stein

The following program was given.

Article - She Had No.

Quine for Her Children
Mrs. Parsons
Luxury of Children
Woman is Fickle
Mrs. Hanks
Story of One of the Four
Camp Fires of Bethel
Mrs. Parsons.

Mrs. Paine invited the ladies to stay for a social time and refreshments were served.

Grace Thayer Moore
Sec Pro tem.

The first Mothers meeting after the summer recess was held Oct. 3d with our President Mrs. Parsons, fourteen Mothers and sixteen children being present. The meeting opened by singing three hymns "I love to tell the story" "Love Divine all love excelling" and "Jesus is all the world to me". Our President Mrs. Parsons then read the nineteenth Psalm, she then offered Prayer which was followed by all joining in the Lords Prayer. The Secretary's report was read and adopted. It was voted to change our meetings from the last Wednesday to the last Thursday of each month. Mrs. Parsons read an article on "Punishment" also, another on "Parents problems" which illustrated, how we should, be very careful to understand things from a childs point of view before we punished them. Then

followed a story in which several
members shared in the reading entitled
"Bumble bees and a boy." Meeting
then closed by singing the hymn
"Saved by Grace". After which
refreshments were served and a social
hour followed.

Carrie M. Gray. (Sec.)